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Mr Ken Coates

Dear Mr Coates,

We have now been informed that the trials of Abbas Madani, the leader of FIS, and his colleagues, who were all arrested on 30 June 1991 and have been imprisoned since then, will open on 27 June 1992.

I know that you share our concern that these trials will not conform to internationally accepted standards of justice and I wonder if it would be possible to organise for an observer to be sent by the European Parliament to attend the proceedings? I feel that international concern shown in these trials could have some effect in safeguarding the rights of the accused.

I look forward to hearing from you.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Salem Azzam

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Secretary General